

**September 27, 2012**

**Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.**

### **The Michigan Lawyer Blog: Supreme Court justice named our Woman of the Year**

"Michigan Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Kelly was named as Michigan Lawyers Weekly's Woman of the Year at our 2012 Women in the Law luncheon on Sept. 27. Kelly has accomplished a lot in her career, including public service spanning the last 48 years."

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### **The Detroit News: Michigan courts to invest appeals Judge Boonstra**

"Michigan's court system is formally investing state Court of Appeals Judge Mark Boonstra at a ceremony in Lansing. U.S. 6th Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Ralph Guy Jr. is scheduled to preside at the swearing-in ceremony at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at the Michigan Library & Historical Center. A reception follows at the Michigan Hall of Justice."

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**Also see:**

### **Associated Press: Michigan courts to invest appeals Judge Boonstra**

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### **The Oakland Press: Michigan courts to invest appeals Judge Boonstra**

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### **Detroit Free Press: Emergency manager law is dead, Ingham County lawsuit alleges**

"A lawsuit filed in Ingham County Circuit Court alleges there is no emergency manager law in Michigan as a result of the suspension of Public Act 4 of 2011. Attorney General Bill Schuette and Gov. Rick Snyder have said the state's old emergency financial manager law, Public Act 72 of 1990, has been in effect since August."

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**Also see:**

### **MLive.com: Michigan's old emergency financial manager law 'is dead,' according to new lawsuit**

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### **Detroit Free Press: Oakland County judge: No reason to toss confession in attack on Cipriano family**

"An Oakland County judge refused Wednesday to toss a confession that police say Mitchell Young gave in the hours after he and friend Tucker Cipriano allegedly beat Cipriano's family in their Farmington Hills home.... Oakland County Circuit Judge Shalina Kumar, in denying the motion to throw out the confession, said she saw nothing on the record to indicate Young was coerced or tricked into signing away his right to an attorney."

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**Also see:**

### **The Detroit News: Second suspect's remarks to police admissible in fatal bat attack**

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### **Detroit Free Press: Judge to rule on DNA linking suspect to Royal Oak woman's murder**

"A parolee accused of murdering an 80-year-old woman in her Royal Oak home in November is in court today as his attorney challenges the validity of DNA that prosecutors say ties him to the killing."

[Full story](#)

### **Detroit Free Press: Guard's death brings prison for teenager**

"A Detroit teen will spend 12-30 years in prison in connection with the shooting death of an 84-year-old church security guard in Detroit. Anthony Williams was sentenced Wednesday in Wayne County Circuit Court in connection with the death of Joseph Lewis Jr. on May 9 in a parking lot on Tireman, a mile west of I-96."

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**Also see:**

### **The Detroit News: Detroit ninth-grader to spend 12-30 year prison term in death of church guard**

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### **Daily Press & Argus: High court denies appeal of murder-for-hire bid**

"The Michigan Supreme Court again declined Wednesday to hear a Howell Township man's appeal to overturn his conviction for trying to hire someone to murder his former wife."

[Full story](#)

### **Daily Press & Argus: News Briefs: Forum features Livingston County probate judge candidates, prosecutor candidates tonight**

"A candidate forum for the November election will take place tonight for the Livingston County prosecutor and probate judge races.... Probate judge candidates Miriam Cavanaugh and Lori Marran will also debate in the forum."

[Full story](#)

### **The Daily Tribune: Retired chiropractor returns to being a free man**

"A retired chiropractor who was under a guardian due to poor health and who became the center of an acrimonious legal battle between his wife and children is free to run his life, a judge ruled Wednesday."

[Full story](#)

**Note: The Daily Tribune article also ran in the Macomb Daily.**

### **Flint Journal: Grand Blanc Chamber breakfast meeting to host candidate forum**

"The next Grand Blanc Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting will bring together a group of election candidates to speak to attendees. The candidate forum will take place from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Oct. 5 at Brick Street Bar & Grill, 1223 E. Grand Blanc Road. Here are a list of the candidates who will speak at the event:... F Kay Behm-Genesee County Probate Court candidate; Gregory Neithercut-Judge of the 7th Circuit Court candidate;... Mindy Barry-Justice of Supreme Court candidate."

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### **The Macomb Daily: Judge severs trials in alleged murder-for-hire**

"The joint trial of a man and woman accused of hiring a hit man to kill a girl whom he raped and two of her family members was suddenly stopped Wednesday and severed into two separate trials, with one likely starting Thursday.... Judge Diane Druzinski halted the trial and ordered separate trials [for Deon Taylor and Kenisha Faison], with jury selection beginning late Wednesday afternoon for Taylor."

[Full story](#)

### **MLive.com: Michigan House Democrats appealing decision in case related to 'immediate effect' votes**

"Democrats in the Michigan House are trying to revive their lawsuit claiming majority Republicans violated the constitution by not counting their votes when it comes to a legislative procedure known as 'immediate effect.' A three-judge panel from the Michigan Court of Appeals unanimously ruled against Democrats last month, tossing out the suit. But Democrats said Wednesday they want to appeal to the Michigan Supreme Court."

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***Also see:***

**WKAR News/East Lansing: Democrats Take Immediate Effect Fight To MI Supreme Court**

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**The Oakland Press: Appeal denied for Ellery Bennett, West Bloomfield man convicted of killing wife**

"The conviction of a West Bloomfield Township man in the death of his wife has been upheld by the Michigan Court of Appeals. Ellery Bennett, now 49, was convicted of first-degree premeditated murder in the death of his wife, Lisa Bennett, 46."

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